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The Mikado Gives Luncheon to Foreign  
Ministers and Elder Statesmen.

(Associated Press.)

Tokio, Jan. 5.—The Emperor to-day gave a New Year's luncheon to the members of the diplomatic corps, the elder statesmen, ministers and high officials. The Emperor welcomed them with the usual compliments of the season, and seated the respective sovereigns represented at his court.

Baron Danethan, the Belgian minister, and dean of the diplomatic corps, were killed in behalf of the corps.

Premier Katsura, on behalf of the

Japanese nation, offered the customary hopes for the imperial and national prosperity.

DEATH OF BELLE COLE.

London, Jan. 5.—Belle Cole, the American singer, whose illness was reported yesterday, died this morning at half-past five o'clock.

Charles Vowler, a farmer living in Glenville, and George Cookingham, his hired man, on Wednesday were instantly killed by being struck by a trolley car at Hardline crossing, about three miles from Schenectady, N. Y., as they were driving across with a sleigh.

## COURT-MARTIAL FOR GENERAL STOESSEL

**The Gallant Defender of Port Arthur Will Be  
Tried for Surrendering the  
Fortress.**

**Russian Civic Officials Who Have Not Served as Volunteers  
Will be Released—British Cruiser Unable to Land  
Hospital Stores at Port Arthur.**

(Associated Press.)

St. Petersburg, Jan. 5.—Few incidents of the whole war have aroused more bitter criticism than the announcement, officially issued by the general staff, that Gen. Stoessel will have to come home and stand court-martial for surrendering the fortress of Port Arthur.

While this is an ancient regulation and quite according to law, it is bitterly resented on all sides that such an announcement should have been made in the same bulletin containing Gen. Stoessel's appeal to the Emperor for "lenient judgment on a garrison reduced to shadows, who have done all possible for human beings to do to uphold the honor of Russia in the face of her enemies."

The Novoe Vremya, despite the example made by the suspension of the Russ yesterday, says: "By all means, let us have a court-martial and make it, if possible, severe. The cruel judge will, perhaps, deal leniently with those who have given their blood and lives for their country. Perhaps, also, the court will determine why a fortress known to be threatened with blockade is not supplied with necessary food and munitions to enable it to hold out. Perhaps such a court will bring to light many dark hidden things and expose the creeping underground enemies of Russia who are infinitely more dangerous to the nation than the foe who fights in the open."

**BRITISH CRUISER UNABLE  
TO LAND SUPPLIES.**

Wei-Hai-Wei, Jan. 5.—The first-class British cruiser Andromeda, which sailed from here yesterday morning for Port Arthur with hospital stores and surgeons to assist the sick and wounded, returned here to-day, not having been able to make a landing at Port Arthur. The cruiser proceeded to a small bay ten miles north of Port Arthur, where she met with some Japanese. The latter refused all offers of assistance or stores of any kind, and declined to allow the ship's officers to approach closer, the reason given being the presence of unlocated mines.

**REINFORCEMENTS FOR  
FIELD MARSHAL OYAMA.**

Huanshen, Manchuria, Jan. 5.—(Via Mukden.)—Japanese reinforcements are now concentrating around Beniss, 30 miles northeast of Liao Yang. This fact, taken in conjunction with the reports of the completion of the railroads in Korea and the bridge across the Yalu river, indicates the Japanese have again transferred their attention to the right flank. In the meanwhile they are continuing erecting fortifications north and west. A light railroad was laid during the last few days south of the village of Housan. The Japanese continue to bombard Poutloff (Lone Tree Hill) and the villages west of it.

**DENIES WARSHIPS ARE  
WATCHING RUSSIAN VESSELS.**

St. Petersburg, Jan. 5.—Sir Charles Hardinge, the British ambassador, has taken the unusual course of calling Foreign Minister Lamoriniere's attention to the statements of the Novoe Vremya, on January 3rd, to the effect that it had authoritatively been advised that British warships were following Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky's squadron and reporting its disposition and movements to Tokyo from each cable port reached, which the ambassador declared to be false. Sir Charles particularly denied the imputation that British warships were committing breaches of neutrality by communicating Admiral Rojestvensky's movements to Japanese agents.

**THE TREATMENT OF  
OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS.**

Tokio, Jan. 5.—1 p.m.—A Port Arthur supplementary agreement, published to-day, provides for the appointment of commissioners to superintend the enforcement of the provisions of the capitulation compact, and deals with the treatment of officers and men.

The commissioners are to meet at the base of Pehyu mountain at noon on Tuesday next, with the military and naval officers of Port Arthur fortress, in the order indicated by the Japanese on the tabulated receipt of their organization, who shall conduct themselves as to arrive at the eastern extremity of Yachtsui at 9 o'clock on Thursday morning. The officers and officials are allowed to wear their side arms, but the use of arms is prohibited in the case of non-commissioned officers and privates. On arrival they shall be placed in control of the commission enforcing article 8 of the original agreement.

Civil officers not connected with the army are to follow the officers. Those

who have served as volunteers shall be released without parole. Persons who are necessary to effect the transfer of the fortress, building warships, etc., must wear an emblem given by the Japanese authorities. Private property carried by officers and officials shall be subjected to inspection, and must be limited in weight.

The agreement further provides for the transfer of hospitals, the immunity of non-combatants, their freedom of action and the removal of private property. It promises to facilitate the movement of the families of officers and officials, but reserves the right of removal of objectionable persons and the release of Japanese prisoners.

**DECISION OF COURT  
IN CASE OF NIGRETIA.**

Nagasaki, Jan. 5.—Noon.—The British steamer Nigretia has been condemned as a prize.

The Nigretia was seized by the Japanese cruiser Tsubuma on December 30th when bound from Chefoo to Vladivostok and was taken to Sasebo for a decision by the naval prize court.

The Nigretia, when seized had on board Commander Pelem and a lieutenant of the torpedo boat destroyer Rastorop, who had escaped from internment at Shanghai, and were attempting to regain the Russian lines.

**JAPANESE CRUISER  
SIGHTED OFF MANILA.**

Manila, Jan. 5.—Steamers returning here from the south report a Japanese cruiser patrolling San Bernardino straits. At 2 p.m. to-day (January 5th) the Japanese cruiser Takane approached the entrance to Manila harbor, and when signalled asking if she intended to enter, the answer was in the negative. She also refused to state where she was from or whence she was proceeding, and put to sea under full steam.

**THE ISSUE OF A  
NEW RUSSIAN LOAN.**

St. Petersburg, Jan. 5.—The official announcement of the issue of a new loan is published here this morning for the first time. The amount of the loan will be \$115,750,000, bearing interest at 4½ per cent. from January 1st. The first call of bonds will not be made earlier than 1915. The whole loan will be extinguished in 1915.

Street sales of the Russ have been suspended by an official order owing to the negative. She also refused to state where she was from or whence she was proceeding, and put to sea under full steam.

**NEW WIRES TO BE  
BUILT TO IRKUTSK.**

St. Petersburg, Jan. 5.—Owing to the increasing pressure of telegrams between St. Petersburg and the Far East, two wires will be strung from St. Petersburg to Irkutsk. The work will be completed in three months.

**THE JAPANESE AND  
BLOCKADE RUNNERS.**

London, Jan. 4.—The Standard learns from an authoritative source that Japan intends to propose an alteration of the rules of war affecting blockade runners. The fall of Port Arthur has revealed the full extent to which the blockade runners enabled the garrison to prolong its resistance, resulting in the sacrifice of thousands of Japanese lives. International law inflicts no penalty on those engaged as blockade runners beyond the confiscation of the vessel and cargo. Japan demands that captains and crews should be treated as belligerents and severely punished. Japan, the Standard says, will ask for a conference of jurists to discuss the question.

**THE DESTRUCTION OF  
RUSSIAN WARSHIPS.**

Tokio, Jan. 3.—Comment in naval circles here upon General Stoessel's action in destroying the Russian warships and attempting to choke the entrance to the harbor of Port Arthur and dispatching the torpedo boat destroyers to Chefoo subsequent to his offer to surrender the fortress, is directly opposite to the opinion expressed in the local papers, the Jiji and the Nichi Nichi. A member of the naval staff said to-day that if he had been in Gen. Stoessel's place he would probably have been compelled to act in a similar manner, and, further, that if Gen. Stoessel had been a Japanese he would probably have committed suicide, after dispatching the destroyers and blowing up the ships remaining in port.

Distant observation of the sunken war-

ships at Port Arthur gives no idea of the condition of the battleship Sevastopol, which has evidently been towed off the beach and sunk in deep water. The warships previously sunk in the harbor have apparently been mined and torpedoed from the exterior. Expert opinion on the condition of these ships varies on the condition of the salvability, which will be determinable only by examination.

**PRISONERS MAY BE  
RETURNED TO RUSSIA.**

Tokio, Jan. 5.—The Japanese naval officers have not examined the sunken warships at Port Arthur, and therefore nothing is known of their condition and possible availability for further service. It is expected that a careful examination of the vessels will be made at the earliest possible moment. The Japanese are keenly anxious to know the condition of the sunken ships, and it is believed that some of them are salvageable.

The Russians ingeniously locked the drydock. They towed the transport Amur inside the dock, blew her up so that she partly turned turtle and sank sideways, and then they destroyed the dock gate. The Russians surrendered possession of the dockyard yesterday, and turned over to the Japanese ten small steamers available for immediate use. All the other craft had previously been sunk.

The work of clearing away the mines commenced soon as the Russian charts, provided for in the capitulation agreement, were delivered to the Japanese.

The official figures giving the Russian and Japanese losses at Port Arthur are not yet available.

The disposition of the surrendered garrison has not been determined. It is impossible to move the majority of the sick and wounded, who will be nursed at Port Arthur. The care of the many prisoners is a troublesome and expensive task, and it is possible that Japan will arrange later to return them to Russia. The question is now under consideration at Tokio.

**RUMOR THAT STOESSEL  
SUFFERS FROM CANCER.**

St. Petersburg, Jan. 5.—There is no definite information here regarding Gen. Stoessel's condition, but it was current gossip for some time that the gallant defender of Port Arthur is suffering from cancer.

**FLEET WILL RETURN.**

Rojestvensky's Ships Are to Be Ordered Back to Europe.

(Associated Press.)

St. Petersburg, Jan. 5.—Although orders to that effect have not yet been sent to Admiral Rojestvensky, the Associated Press is able to announce positively that the decision has been reached that the second Pacific squadron will return to Europe.

**DEATH OF JAMES BYRN.**

Passed Away Early This Morning After Lingering Illness.

After a gallant struggle which lasted right up to the end, James S. Byrn, one of Victoria's most popular young men, passed away at his residence, Niagara street, about one o'clock this morning. For practically three months he had been engaged in a terrible battle with the agencies of the grim destroyer, the progress of which was anxiously followed by his host of friends throughout the city. He bore his suffering with splendid courage, never flinching, never murring, winning the admiration of his physicians and attendants, who regarded him as an ideal patient.

Mr. Byrn was stricken with blood poisoning, caused by a scratch from a cat, about three months ago. He underwent treatment in St. Joseph's hospital and came out apparently on a fair way to recovery, but only to return to undergo an operation for appendicitis. Then complications followed, and the unfortunate young man was operated upon several times. Every effort was made to check the progress of the malady with which he was afflicted, and the physicians were greatly assisted by the courage and magnificent constitution of their patient. In fact, were it not for these two factors it is not to be doubted that the fight would have ended much earlier.

Some time ago he was removed to his residence on Niagara street, but despite the unceasing efforts of his physicians and friends, he was unable to make any headway and gradually became worse. Yesterday it was seen that he was sinking, and early this morning, as stated, the end came.

Although it was generally believed that Mr. Byrn's case was hopeless, the news of his death caused a poignant shock to his numerous friends. He was universally popular, possessing a happy combination of qualities which won the esteem of everyone with whom he came in contact, a condition that prevailed from his earliest school days in this city until he crossed the Great Divide. He was born in Victoria twenty-eight years ago, and was educated in the local schools. Upon leaving school he entered the land registry office, where he was employed until stricken by his recent illness. He was a splendid athlete, excelling in such games as Rugby football and as a sprinter. He was also an enthusiastic and skillful horseman.

He leaves a widow and three little children, besides his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Byrn, and two sisters. A model son, husband and father, his death has plunged his family and relatives into the deepest grief, and to them is extended the sincere sympathy of the community.

The funeral, which will be in the hands of the Native Sons, will take place on Saturday afternoon from the family residence at 2 o'clock, Niagara street, and from Christ Church cathedral half an hour later.

## RUSSIA IS IN STATE OF ANARCHY

**IS BEING DRAGGED  
INTO A REVOLUTION**

**Prince Troubetsky Says It Can Be Prevented by Emperor Showing Confidence in People.**

(Associated Press.)

New York, Jan. 5.—A St. Petersburg dispatch to the Sun says: "Prince Troubetsky, president of the Moscow Zemstvo, has written a letter to Prince Mirsky, minister of the interior, defending the discussion of reforms by the Moscow Zemstvo, which called forth the condemnation of the Czar.

"Prince Troubetsky says: 'Russia is now in a state of anarchy. The revolutionary movement now proceeding is not a simple disturbance by the youth of the country. It is a movement which reflects the attitude of public opinion, and it is very dangerous, even terrible, not only for the people but for the Emperor. It is therefore the duty of every true Russian subject to do what he can to prevent the impending calamity.

"I recently had the happiness to see the Emperor, and I reported to him truly and in all sincerity the present state of public opinion. I tried to explain to His Majesty that what is now proceeding is not a simple emote, but a revolution. The Russian nation is being dragged into a revolution which it does not want, and which may be prevented by the Emperor if he shows confidence in his people. It is my strong belief that if the Emperor will himself unite the national forces around him, he will relieve Russia from the terrors of an impending bloody revolution. If he will do so the nation will support his autocratic power.

"Under existing conditions it is impossible to forbid the people from expressing their sufferings. It is impossible to keep silence when the country is in a dangerous position."

**Emperor Returns.**

St. Petersburg, Jan. 5.—Emperor Nicholas returned this morning to Tsarskoe Selo (15 miles south of St. Petersburg) from Minsk. An extraordinary council is expected to be held immediately, and it is believed that the whole situation will be reviewed. General Kouroukov has been called upon to telegraph his opinion of the situation, which cannot be disregarded in considering the future.

There is evidence that the revolutionary agitators have decided to take every advantage of the government's embarrassment, and the moderate Liberals who are trying to force the government's hand and compel the summoning of a national assembly are beginning to redouble their efforts.

The newspapers, despite the punishments inflicted on them, are spreading out with great boldness. Seemingly reckless of the consequences they are using every pretext for savage criticism of the bureaucracy. The Zemstvos, in defiance of the government's note of warning, continue to memorialize the throne for the programme adopted by the delegates here. Consequently in spite of the loud protestations of the official world that peace is impossible, the opinion is held by exceedingly shrewd observers that the government may be forced to conclude peace with Japan in order to have free hands to deal with the internal situation. With the increasing complications M. Witte, president of the ministerial council, looms up larger as the strong one to whom the Emperor will turn in the present crisis. It is remarkable that the dispatches from the front are absolutely silent on the subject of the army's reception of the news of the fall of Port Arthur, indicating that the announcement has been withheld.

**Received Reports.**

Tsarskoe Selo, Russia, Jan. 5.—Emperor Nicholas this morning received the reports of M. Witte, Finance Minister Kokoroff, and Minister of Justice Muraviev, representing the committee of ministers, in regard to the progress of their work in drafting the reform measures. Subsequently M. Witte lunched with His Majesty, and had a long conference with him. The situation of the extraordinary council of war is not known.

**INSURANCE TROUBLES.**

Affairs Respecting Underwriting Business in Province Are Still in Chaotic Condition.

The question of whether there shall be an amalgamation of the Vancouver Island and Mainland Boards of Underwriters is still a subject of negotiation. No instructions, it is understood, have been received from any of the companies' representatives in this city towards initiating a rate war, but some of the agents are of the opinion that unless the situation changes materially that will ensue. The ground for this is that information has been received that the seven or eight companies controlled from San Francisco and doing business in Victoria have given notice that they are withdrawing from the Vancouver Island board. This, it is pointed out, means a rate war, as there will be nothing in common among the companies when this movement is carried out.

On the other hand, it is understood that negotiations are in progress between Montreal and San Francisco heads of companies looking to a settlement of the dispute. A committee of five from the Vancouver Island board is doing what it can locally to arrive at a settlement.

## THE INVENTOR OF FAMOUS JAP GUN

**ARRIVED HERE ON  
THE KANAGAWA MARU**

**With New Ordnance Russian Casemates  
Were Smashed and Ships in  
Harbor Destroyed.**

The man who indirectly deserves no small credit for compelling the Russians at Port Arthur to surrender, he who invented the heavy siege guns which penetrated the armor of the forts and brought terror and havoc to the brave defenders of the beleaguered city, arrived here this morning on the steamer Kanagawa Maru. The gentleman is an American, Capt. O. C. Cullen. He is a captain in the United States army, his father being a Virginian, a colonel in the army.

Capt. Cullen is going through to the Eastern States after spending a day in the city, and it is not improbable will arrange for a further and larger supply of the weapons which have so far spelled disaster to the Russian forces. The first shipment was made to Austria. A number were used for the first time on 203-Metre hill, and the same guns were employed in the sinking of the Russian fleet. The Russian squadron pinned up in Port Arthur harbor.

Capt. Cullen is a young man of affable manner and pleasant temperament, and in the invention of the gun referred to has already made his mark in the world. It is claimed for the Culien ball-bearing gun that it is the only improvement which has been made since 1852. The gun is said to possess 40 per cent. greater velocity, penetration and range than any other gun in service. Its superiority over all others lies in the fact that the end of the barrel is supplied with ball bearings, which appear to give the projectile fired a wonderful impetus.

Penetrability is also a feature of the gun. Ordinarily the life of a rifle is a thousand shots, but with the ball-bearing improvement it is claimed that there is comparatively little wear to the weapon. The guns are being used by a number of European governments. Its supreme test came but a few weeks ago, when 203-Metre hill, in the line of fortification before Port Arthur, was surrounded by a number of these terrible weapons. Up to this, it is said that the casemates of many of the Russian forts could not be penetrated. When the Culien ball-bearing gun, however, was brought into action the effect was immediate.

The result of such splendid work will mean, it is stated, that most of the heavy artillery in the use of the Japanese armies will be replaced by modern guns.

Capt. Cullen is going now to Washington, and according to fellow passengers he is the bearer of important papers to the United States government.

S. B. Trisell, correspondent of the Associated Press, was another arrival on the steamship Kanagawa Maru. He has seen a number of the leading events of the war in the Far East, having been at several stations, first at Mukden, then at Chefoo, Pekin, Tientsin and other points. He saw the battle of Liao Yang, and in a general way has perhaps a good grasp of the situation in Manchuria, as a result of moving around so much, as any other correspondent who has been to the front. The surrender of Port Arthur, he states, will release two divisions, which will greatly strengthen the position of the Japanese south of Mukden.

The Russians, he reports, are not prepared to advance at that place. General Kuropatkin's army will follow on. If he gets the men he needs he may fight in spring, if he does not he will probably retire to Harbin, and if the Japs pursue him, as they will undoubtedly do, then Kuropatkin will continue to retire until he gets at safe distance. The Japs will thereupon, says Mr. Trisell, take possession of Manchuria and the Russians will proceed to play the great game of their diplomacy. They will, by their attitude, compel the Japs to maintain a huge army in Manchuria. When the financial resources of Japan have been pretty well exhausted then the wary Muscovite will attempt to regain lost territory. He will strike the blow that he thinks will bring him success. But Japan, added Mr. Trisell, can get any amount of money to carry on this war. She is meeting with no trouble on this score.

Mr. Trisell came south to Chefoo to take charge of the remains of Henry C. Middleton, who died at Liao Yang on July 13th, and was buried on the 20th. Mr. Middleton could speak French well and handled correspondence for Paris. Before leaving Mukden Mr. Trisell met George Denny, of this city, with whom he had exchanged positions. The latter was feeling well and in good spirits. He stated that before returning to Victoria he would tour Europe.

Mr. Trisell went to Port Arthur with General Stakelburg in January last. He is of the opinion that the Japs will not advance again before spring, as the weather in Manchuria is severely cold.

Two other interesting personages among the passengers of the Kanagawa Maru were Y. Nagai and K. Nagai. Both are members of the Nippon Yusen Steamship Company. The former has charge of the freight department at Yokohama, and the other of the freight department at Tokio. K. Nagai was among the first students of the Japanese government to be educated in America. He was born the same year as the Emperor, and is 28 years of age.

S. F. Pate, a young Englishman, who arrived on the ship, is doing what he can locally to arrive at a settlement.

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## JAPANESE LOSSES BEFORE PORT ARTHUR

### MORE THAN 50,000 MEN PUT OUT OF ACTION

### The Russian Troops Leave Fortress and Are Now in Camp Near the Town.

Headquarters of the Japanese Third Army at Port Arthur, Jan. 3, via Chefoo, Jan. 4, 8 p.m.—(Continued).—The flag of the Rising Sun floats to-night over the captured citadel at Port Arthur. When the news of the surrender of the fortress reached the soldiers, the Japanese fraternized freely with their late enemies.

The entire garrison and all the non-combatants will march out of the city to Yaluwhui, whence the Russian officers will be transported to Dalny, and thence to wherever they may desire. The prisoners of war will be detained until they can be transferred to Dalny and thence to Japan.

Thus has Japan won the great Russian stronghold in the Far East after a five months' siege, in which they lost over 50,000 soldiers who were put out of action in the most sanguinary and desperate fighting the world has ever known.

The surrender of the fortress at the present time came as a surprise even to Japan, as the desperate determination and courage of the Russians indicated that the struggle would be one to the bitter end. It was well known to the Japanese that the destruction of the fortress guarding the main defences of the western half of the fortified ridge made the investment of the place upon the east only a matter of a short time and insured the segregation of the forts further east upon the ridge.

The steady advance of the besiegers upon the west flank since the capture of 203-Metre Hill, up the valley from the shores of Pigeon bay to the outskirts of the new town, enabled them, with the capture of North Talaikow fort, to close in upon the city from the west and segregate Cahir Hill forts so that they could be dealt with in detail.

### RUSSIAN SOLDIERS LEAVE THE FORTRESS.

With Gen. Nogi's headquarters before Port Arthur, Jan. 4.—In long, slowly moving columns, four abreast, their tattered uniforms showing in pitiful contrast with the nobly appearance of their Japanese guards, the members of the garrison of Port Arthur walked out of the fortress and crossed the glacial leading to the camps this morning.

Some walked with difficulty—convalescents who had been pressed into service by the dire need of fighting men. Not a man but seemed tired to death. Their cheeks pale and sunken, military training gone from their bearing, some emaciated to skeletons, their clothes hanging loosely about them. Some with bandages around their heads, others with their left arms in slings.

On their horses Japanese officers rode up and down the columns, giving orders to the guards on foot. But there was no need for vigilance. Not a break occurred in the line. They came down the hill, their gait accelerating as they neared the goal.

Further down they saw an imposing display of successful power, the Japanese officers, who had lined up to receive them as prisoners, to call the roll from the depleted lists and then to pronounce their fate. It may be assumed that the news of the generosity of their victors had spread into every nook and corner of every fort long ere the order to evacuate was given.

The story is told now that some few had recalled the reports current weeks ago that the Japanese would take terrible vengeance, and if they were prevented from killing they would inflict suffering in some other way. Mercifully the Japanese officers in charge of the surrender of the men shortened the business as much as could be done under the circumstances. Then the order to move was given.

Inside of half an hour every prisoner

sat in front of a full ration, something not enjoyed by any of them for many weeks past. Each man was allowed a quantity of spirits. It was not long before a Japanese, passing a Russian with a full glass, bent down and clinked it with his enemy. The example was contagious.

The Japanese have learned a good deal of Russian, and vice versa. Soldiers understood each other, and the one topic of conversation, Port Arthur, its strength and its weakness, is familiar to them all. Before the sun had much more than made its presence felt the besiegers of Port Arthur and its defeated defenders were fraternizing.

### THE JAPANESE WILL ENTER ON TUESDAY.

Headquarters of Third Japanese Army at Port Arthur, Jan. 4, via Pusan.—The formal entry of the Japanese into Port Arthur on January 8th will be an imposing spectacle. The Japanese officers will be given a banquet in the city on January 10th. The reason for the surrender of the fortress is evident from a visit to Wantai hill. The entire strength of the position lay in the main line of outer defences. The possession of Wantai gave the besiegers the key of the fortress of the city. The hills in the rear were not fortified and afforded a full cover for the assaulting forces.

### GEN. KOUROPATKIN HAS QUARTER OF MILLION MEN.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 4.—From reliable information in the possession of the Associated Press, it appears that the military situation below Mukden is by no means as satisfactory as reported; that the number of troops at Gen. Kouropatkin's disposal is about 225,000, and that the transportation over the Siberian railway is proving inadequate. This latter fact in connection with the internal situation might have an important bearing should Japan submit peace propositions. Nothing of this nature, however, has yet made its appearance. If such proposals are contemplated through the United States, they might be awaiting the return of United States Ambassador McCormick, who will arrive here on Friday.

A further batch of dispatches from Gen. Stoessel given out today do not add much to what is already known. He reports the killing of Gen. Kondratenko and eight other officers December 15th by an 11-inch shell which exploded in the casement of fort No. 3. He says he lost 200 men December 12th and December 10th. A dispatch of December 11th from Gen. Stoessel settles the question of who sank the Russian warships, saying that all those in the inner harbor were sunk by 11-inch Japanese shells, with the exception of the Sevastopol, which was removed to the outer harbor, and for four nights repulsed Japanese torpedo boat attacks.

### TWO HUNDRED JAPS FOUND AT PORT ARTHUR.

London, Jan. 5.—The Daily Mail's correspondent with Gen. Nogi's army before Port Arthur, in a dispatch published this morning, says that the Russian torpedo boat destroyers were purposely permitted to escape from Port Arthur under the eyes of the Japanese fleet as a tribute to the bravery of the Russian garrison. The correspondent adds that 200 Japanese prisoners were discovered at Port Arthur, many of them having participated in the desperate effort to block the channel, and who hitherto were supposed to be dead.

### WILL AWAIT ARRIVAL OF THIRD SQUADRON.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 5.—2.30 a.m.—It seems now to be definite that Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky's squadron will not attempt to present to reach Vladivostok. The decision has been reached that he will await the third Pacific squadron, on which work is proceeding night and day, and several ships of which are expected to be ready for service by the end of January. It is by no means certain that Rojestvensky will return with his ships to European waters; he may await the third squadron off the coast of Madagascar, and seize and make his base on one of the uninhabited coral islands of Polynesia.

In view of the report that the Japanese intend to invest Vladivostok, Gen. Batiarov, who has been interviewed, has expressed the opinion that if Vladivostok should be blockaded, Rojestvensky would be compelled to return.

Many interesting incidents in connection with Port Arthur, heretofore care-

fully concealed, are now common property. When the protected cruiser Boyarin was lost by going on the rocks, her captain, Sarytchoff, was subjected to considerable criticism. He appealed personally to Emperor Nicholas for mercy, saying that if forgotten he would sacrifice his life for his country. Thereafter Captain Sarytchoff volunteered on every occasion for the dangerous duty. He commanded the gunboat Gillak at Kinchow, and later a shore battery at Tiger's Tail. Afterwards the captain engaged in frequent sorties from the fortifications, but seemed to bear a charmed life and received not so much as a scratch.

### TEACHERS CONVENE IN TERMINAL CITY

### Mainland Institute in Annual Session— Amalgamated With Island Pedagogues.

The convention of the Mainland Teachers' Institute opened in Vancouver on Tuesday morning with a large attendance. New Westminster, Ladner, Steveston and Nanaimo were represented by delegates. Superintendent Robinson went up from this city to attend. E. H. Murphy presided.

When nomination of officers was called for Inspector Stewart said he had heard some talk of changing the name from the Mainland Teachers' Institute to the Coast Teachers' Institute, so as to embrace the teachers of the island. He understood that the reason that there were so few teachers there from Victoria was because it had been understood by them that they were not included in the Mainland Institute.

Mr. Hunter, principal of the Nanaimo High school, spoke strongly in favor of an amalgamation of the Island and Mainland Institutes.

Mr. Gilchrist, principal of Fairview school, feared that a change might result in smaller attendance, as the meetings would have to be held on the Mainland and Island alternately, and teachers could not always afford the expense of travel.

G. H. Tom pointed out that if they had attended a meeting at Victoria it would mean an extension of the Christmas holidays, which were thought by many to be already long enough. The teachers would not be able to get back in time to commence school on Thursday, and as Friday was an inconvenient day, the school could not be opened till the beginning of the following week.

Superintendent Robinson, of Victoria, explained that it had been understood by the school teachers there that they were not included in the Mainland Institute, and the school board had decided to open the schools on January 3rd, so that the teachers had really started to work that day. An effort had been made to get an order-in-council revoking the opening on the 3rd, so that those of the teachers who wished might attend, but it had been unsuccessful, and consequently the teachers were not there. He was heartily in favor of the idea of changing the name to "Coast Institute." They would have a better institute, and it would prevent misunderstandings in future.

Mr. Gilchrist said that on consideration, and since the invitation to change the name came from the teachers on the island, he would withdraw his objection.

The motion was put to the meeting and carried unanimously, and henceforth the institute will be known as the Coast Teachers' Institute.

Owing to this change it was resolved to defer the nomination and election of officers till the afternoon session.

S. W. Matthews, M. A., read an interesting paper on "Arithmetic." In the afternoon it was decided to hold the next meeting of the institute at New Westminster in 1906.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, A. E. Gilchrist, Fairview, Vancouver; 1st vice-president, Frank Canfield, New Westminster; 2nd vice-president, Mr. Rogers, New Westminster; recording secretary, R. S. Sherman, Vancouver; corresponding secretary, Miss J. Patterson, New Westminster; treasurer, A. Graham, South Vancouver.

Mr. McDonald read a paper on "Oral History," which was readily discussed. Inspector Stewart read a well-written paper on "The Discovery of a New World," by Miss Fraser, of Victoria.

In the evening Supt. Alex. Robinson presided, and an address was delivered by A. H. B. Macgowan, M. P. P. for Vancouver. Speaking of his experience on the school board, he thought it a great mistake always to pay the lowest salaries to teachers of primary classes, since no school work was more important. He did not wish particularly to decry the study of dead languages, but he did think it much more important that a boy should be taught something that would enable him to make his living. He placed great value on a commercial education, and spoke in high praise of Sir William Macdonald's efforts to encourage industrial training in the schools. Last year Rev. Wm. Greer had stated that the public schools of America were simply turning out educated paupers. A leading magazine had taken the matter up and sent inquiries dealing with it to the presidents of the different universities in the United States, and the answer in every case was, that the boys sent up from the High schools led, and were better men physically and morally than those coming from the private and sectarian schools, and they were better educated, more sturdy and progressive.

An instructive talk on "Nature Study" was given by J. G. Lester. During the evening a musical programme was rendered.

### SUDDEN DEATH.

Winapee, Jan. 4.—Joshua Woods, a well known druggist, Rat Portage, dropped dead yesterday while mixing a prescription. He was 33 years of age.

**TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY**  
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. 48 druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.



### One "Fruit-a-lives" Tablet

contains all the medicinal virtues of several apples, oranges, figs and raisins. In eating fruit, the part that does you good is almost counterbalanced by the indigestible pulp.

### Fruit-a-lives or Fruit Liver Tablets

are the curative qualities without the woody fibre. The juices are so combined by the secret process that their action is much more powerful and efficacious. Try "FRUIT-A-LIVES." See how gently they act, and how quickly they cure you of Constipation, Biliousness, Sick Stomach, Headaches and Kidney Troubles. At your druggist's, soc. box. FRUITATIVES, Limited, OTTAWA.

### FINANCIAL EXPERT DEAD.

Henry V. Poor Passed Away at His Home in Brooklyn.

(Associated Press.)

Boston, Mass., Jan. 5.—Henry V. Poor, known for many years as a railroad authority and expert on financial affairs, is dead at his home in Brooklyn. Mr. Poor fell on the ice and broke an ankle three weeks ago, and the shock to his system eventually affected his heart. He was born in Andover, Maine, in 1813. For many years he lived in New York city, where he published a railroad book and many others on financial subjects. He was one of the founders of the New York Geological Society.

### FOR WAR FUND.

Russian Government Decides to Issue Picture Post Cards.

(Associated Press.)

St. Petersburg, Jan. 5.—The government has decided to issue a new set of stamps for foreign and domestic postage in denominations from one to ten kopecks, bearing pictures of the Kremlin, Plevna, Peter the Great's statue in St. Petersburg, etc. These stamps to be sold for three kopecks above the face value, the surplus going to aid widows and orphans of the war.

### GONE TO PHILIPPINES.

(Associated Press.)

Peking, Jan. 5.—E. H. Gongger, the United States minister, left Peking today for the Philippines. Secretary Coleridge assumed charge of the legation.

**DR. AGNEW'S CURE FOR THE HEART**  
acts directly and quickly, stimulates the heart's action, stops most acute pain, dispels all signs of weakness, flattening, slaking, smothering, or palpitation. This wonderful cure is the sturdy ship which carries the heart-sick patient into the haven of radiant and perfect health. Gives relief in most acute forms of heart disease in 30 minutes.—11.

### FIRE AT BROOKVILLE.

Carriage Factory Destroyed—Three Hundred and Sixty Men Thrown Out of Work.

Brookville, Ont., Jan. 4.—A fire that broke out in the paint storage room of the Canada Carriage Company at 6 o'clock this evening totally destroyed the big factory, the largest in Brookville and one of the largest of the kind in Canada. The fire was caused by the explosion of a lantern, carried by a boy, and fed by the inflammable liquid, the flames spread with great rapidity. Men lived, in many instances, to flee for their lives leaving some of their clothing behind them, but no one was injured. The total loss is placed at \$300,000, with insurance at \$200,000. Three hundred and sixty men are thrown out of work just at the beginning of the busy season.

### Always Remember the Full Name Laxative Bromo Quinine

Cure a Cold in One Day, Grip in 2 Days

E. W. Grove on every box.

LOST AND FOUND.

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

LOST—On 24th inst., a marten neck fur. Reward at Times Office.

LOST—On Monday afternoon, in vicinity of cemetery, a young red cocker dog. Finder kindly return to 10 Scoresby.

WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in the Times.

UNDER TAKING.

W. J. HANNA, Graduate U. S. College of Embalming, New York, 102 Douglas street. Office telephone, 498. Residence telephone, 611.

CEMENT WORK.

SLATE AND GRAVEL ROOFING, cement sidewalks laid, etc. John Bell. Leave orders at Nichol's & Benoit.

MACHINERY.

L. HAFER, General Machinist, No. 150 Government street. Tel. 520.

FOR SALE

Fine building lots fronting New City Park on Gorge road.

Good acreage property along Burnside Road, and also above Gorge Bridge; excellent for fruit growing. Yates Street and Wharf Street, yielding a good return as an investment.

Also two city water lots at foot of Yates Street with 100 feet wharf and large warehouses.

Twenty-three acres in Esquimalt District fronting on Royal Road.

Seventy-nine acres fronting on Sooke Bay.

Excellent building lots in Esquimalt town.

For particulars apply to J. STUART YATES.

## ..CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS..

Rates for insertion in THE TIMES: All Classifications, except Births, Marriages and Deaths, 1 cent per word per day; six insertions for the price of four; no advertisement taken for less than 25 cents. Time rates on application.

### WANTED—MALE HELP.

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

LIFE AGENT WANTED—Old established company, G. D. Scott, Mgr., Vancouver.

WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in the Times.

### WANTED—FEMALE HELP.

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

DINING ROOM GIRL WANTED—At Dominion Hotel.

WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in the Times.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE.

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

EMPLOYMENT AGENCY—40 Rae street. Reliable servants always needed. Call between 11 a. m. and 1.30 p. m. Letters promptly answered. J. Devereux.

WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in the Times.

### SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE.

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED—Work on a farm; good milkers. Apply J. A. this office.

WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in the Times.

### WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS.

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

BACHELOR wants room and board, in private house. State particulars, Back, Times Office.

WANTED—Everybody in Victoria to buy best-class home-made toffee and candy from Hartley, the English candy maker, 74 Yates street.

WANTED—Photo-engraving work from all parts of the province; satisfaction guaranteed; send for samples. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co., 26 Broad street, Victoria.

WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in the Times.

### FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS.

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

FOR SALE—First-class Jersey cow and calf, home, top phonograph and harness, a snap; also 16 well-bred laying hens; no top buggy. Apply Fisher's Carriage Shop, Store street.

BILLIARD TABLES, NEW AND SECOND-HAND—For sale, new and second-hand billiard and pool tables. Inspect our cleared, good billiard tables. The largest selection in Canada. Brunswick & Balke, Billiard Co., J. Johnston, Kirk Block, Douglas street, agent, Victoria.

FOR SALE—Two fresh calving cows. R. E. Knowles, Midlands, Sidney.

FOR SALE—Oscar posts. Address Oldfield, Box 406, city.

FOR SALE—Pure bred Guernsey bull, 2½ years, from best stock in Canada, \$150; strong team general purpose horses, \$240; fifteen tons good hay. J. Legh, Salt Spring Island.

BILLIARD ACCESSORIES, CUES, CHALK, ETC.—For sale, best cues, cueballs, chalk, balls, etc. Genuine "Simmons" cloth. Many new and gently used tables always in stock. Catalogue free. Brunswick & Balke, Billiard Co., J. Johnston, Kirk Block, Douglas street, agent, Victoria.

WANTED—Buyers for second-hand furniture, stores, heaters, etc.; the cheapest in town. The I. X. L. Second-Hand Store, Store street.

HOLLY—For Xmas decoration. Jay & Co., 13 Broad street. Phone 1024.

FOR SALE—Express and light wagons, carts, phaetons, cheap for cash; also our new invention, the family clothes dryer. At W. A. Robertson & Son, 66 Discovery street.

FOR SALE—Cheap, air-tight heaters, stoves, tables, single and double beds, mattresses, bureaus, etc.; at O. C. Christy Shop, cor. of Port and Blanchard.

WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in the Times.

### MISCELLANEOUS.

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

JACOB AARONSON—Dealer in new and second-hand goods, jewelry, shotguns, pistols, tools, bicycles, clothing, boots and shoes, sewing machines, etc. Comedy clothes of all kinds for performers. 64 Johnson street, two doors below Government, Victoria, B. C.

LIVERY AND HACK STABLE—Victoria Transfer Co., 21 Broughton street. Tel. 129. Hack, baggage wagons, trucks, etc., at any hour.

NO EXCUSE FOR CHIMNEY FIRES.

NOY—Your chimneys cleaned from 60c. no mess. Free no smoking, and kept cleaned by the year from 50c. Smoky chimneys cured. Any kind of brick or jobbing plastering. Defective lines remedied. Est. in England over 100 years. Hollis, 4 Broughton street.

AH WING—Fashionable tailor, ladies' and gents' clothes made to order and perfect fit guaranteed. 160 Government street.

SING TAI—Manufacturer and dealer in silk and cotton underwear, dresses, wrappers, etc. 74 Douglas street, Victoria.

BEST JAPANESE PORCELAIN and fancy goods at Kawai Bros. Co., 88 Douglas St.

BOARDS OF TRADE, Tourist Associations, etc., should consult us when preparing guide books, advertising literature, and other illustrated folders. We group photos artistically and guarantee best results. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co., 26 Broad street, Victoria.

PERSONAL.

JOHN WILLIAM FLETCHER REYNOLDS—Missing since 1880; father dead; desires desire location. Geo. Guild, Gilda P. O., Ont., Canada.

WATCH REPAIRING.

A. PETCH, 95 Douglas street. Specialty of English watch repairing. All kinds of clocks and watches repaired.

POTTERY WARE.

SEWER PIPE, FLOOR TILE, GROUND ROYAL PLASTER, ETC., etc. B. C. POTTERY CO. LIMITED, CORNER BROAD AND PANDORA STREETS, VICTORIA.

### TO LET.

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

TO LET—Furnished bungalow, Head street, Victoria. West; immediate possession. Bungalow, this office.

TO RENT—A cottage on Bay street, Victoria West, facing harbor. Apply to Mrs. Jas. Bland, cor. Mary and Bay.

TO LET—Cottage, 5 rooms and bath, \$7 per month. A. Williams, 104 Yates.

TO LET—Boarding house, furnished rooms, first-class table, well recommended. 227 Johnson, cor. Vancouver.

TO LET—Osborne House, Pandora and Blanchard streets; furnished rooms at reasonable rates, per week or per month.

TO LET—Furnished bedroom for gentleman, with use of bath, Gordon, Hotel, Yates street.

### LEE & FRASER.

Real Estate and Insurance Agents, 9 and 11 Trenchard Avenue.

\$400 FOR GOOD BUILDING LOT, South Turner street.

\$100 EACH for 3 lots, 55x115 ft. each, Fernwood Estate.

HOUSES TO RENT in all parts of the city.

\$1,500 WILL PURCHASE fine cottage and large lot in James Bay.

FOUL BAY—On water front, 2 large lots, 90x150 each; \$150 each.

DISCOVERY STREET—16 cabins and lot 30x120 for \$1,000.

2½ ACRES on Gordon Head road, with good house, garden, fruit trees; immediate possession; price \$1,400, and on terms.

2½ LOTS on Dallas road, near Clover Point, for sale at a very low figure in order to close out an estate.

QUEEN'S AVE., near Chambers street, one large lot, \$225.

PRINCESS AVE., near Chambers, good building lot, \$225.

LINDON AVE.—Very large lot, only \$1,000.

GOOD 5 ROOMED COTTAGE, centrally located, with stable, electric light and sewer connection; a bargain for \$1,000.

FARMS AND FARMING LANDS FOR SALE—Cheap and on easy terms. Money to loan at low rates of interest. Fire and Life Insurance effected in first-class companies.





**PURE SYSTEM  
REQUIRES**  
Wholesome, Pure Food

TRY

KNOX'S GELATINE

R. P. Rithet &amp; Co., Ltd., Importers.

New Ebony Goods, Toilet  
Cases, Manicure Cases,  
Brushes, Mirrors, Military  
Brushes, etc.

Perfumes in fancy packages from 50c.  
to \$5.00.  
Perfume Atomizers from 50c. to \$2.50.  
Let us show you these goods while our  
stock is complete.

**HALL & CO.,**  
DISPENSING CHEMISTS,  
O'Leary Block, Cor. Yates and Douglas Sts.

## WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria  
Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Jan. 5-5 a. m.—Abnormally  
high barometric pressure still covers the  
Pacific slope, and fair weather with light  
to moderate winds is general from Northern  
British Columbia to California. There are  
no indications at present of a change in the  
weather conditions. Zero temperatures are  
reported in Manitoba and the northern por-  
tions of the Territories.

Forecasts.  
For 36 hours ending 5 p.m. Friday.  
Victoria and vicinity—Northerly winds,  
generally fair and cold at night.  
Lower Mainland—Northerly and easterly  
winds, generally fair and cold at night.

Reports.  
Victoria—Barometer, 30.45; temperature,  
41; minimum, 40; wind, 2 miles E.; weather,  
clear.  
New Westminster—Barometer, 30.48; tem-  
perature, 38; minimum, 38; wind, calm;  
rain, 28; weather, cloudy.  
Kamloops—Barometer, 30.36; temperature,  
32; minimum, 30; wind, 4 miles W.; weather,  
cloudy.  
Barkerville—Barometer, 30.24; tempera-  
ture, 24; minimum, 22; wind, 8 miles N.W.;  
weather, clear.  
San Francisco—Barometer, 30.18; tem-  
perature, 46; minimum, 44; wind, 4 miles  
N.; weather, clear.  
Edmonton—Barometer, 30.18; tem-  
perature, 14; minimum, 4; wind, 8 miles S.;  
weather, clear.

## PASSENGERS.

Per steamer Princess Victoria from Van-  
couver—L. O'Keefe, C. O'Keefe, J. McDonald,  
J. C. Metcalf, W. J. Brindich, M. Kipp, W. Mc-  
Kay, Miss McKay, J. N. Norcross, J. G. C.  
Wood, W. T. Cummings, D. Kesswell, A. Mc-  
Kay, Mrs. Dingham, Maxwell Smith, Carr  
Burch, J. Buntzen, V. B. G. E. Wait, W. H.  
Ledar, Miss Wade, A. E. Snyder, J. W. Laine,  
J. M. Bradburn, K. G. Johnson, J. T. Jones, J.  
Cochrane and wife, Miss McKenney, G.  
Dickson, Mrs. Perry, H. M. Gourlay, Bishop  
Perrin, John Prentice, A. French, R. L.  
Phipps, T. C. Akerman and wife, M. Clemens,  
A. Lothrop, T. Birney, Mrs. Redmond, Mrs.  
Smith, K. Arnold, H. P. Dickinson, Rev. O. E.  
Cooper, Baynes Reed, T. Ballman, M. King,  
B. V. Moffatt, Mrs. McDonald, Mrs. Hurry,  
Miss Sherwood, G. Routledge, Mrs. Roun-  
ledge, A. Johnson, J. Cherry, Mrs. O. E. Mary,  
J. F. Blatchford, S. A. Pearce, B. Stamp, Mrs.  
Burn, W. C. Burn.

Per steamer Princess Beatrice from Seat-  
tle—Geo. H. Harris, J. I. E. Corbet, Mary J.  
Brayne, Margaret Shanks, R. M. Brayne, M.  
E. Aldwell, Duncan Shanks, Ernest Lever-  
son, Ruth Leverson, Fred S. McLaughlin, R. C.  
Moore, Jas. Morrison, T. Ballman, M. King,  
F. T. McLaughlin, Henry Graham, Capt.  
Brownrigg, S. C. Hazard, Isidore Bessinger,  
Patrick Burns, E. J. Matthews, B. N. White,  
Etta McIntyre, John C. Newbury.

## HOUSEKEEPERS

know the advantage of having always on  
hand a perfect cream for general house-  
hold purposes. Borden's Peerless Brand  
Evaporated Cream is superior to raw  
cream and being preserved and sterilized  
keeps for an indefinite period. Use it for  
coffee, tea, cocoa and all household pur-  
poses.

## CONSIGNEES.

Per steamer Princess Beatrice from Seat-  
tle—J. A. Anderson, J. Coughlan & Co., E. G.  
Grier & Co., Robinson & Collis, Saunders  
Gore Co., Colonist P. & Co., Geo. Snider, J.  
Vale, Victoria; Hastings Ship Mfg. Co., Van-  
couver.

The soft mellow flavor of

**E. & J. Burke's  
Old Irish  
Whiskey**

especially recommends it to those who do not like strong-flavored whiskeys.  
Being light and easily assimilable, it is especially suited for people of  
sedentary habits; those who suffer from weak digestion, or whose liver  
requires occasional stimulation.

For Sale by all Leading Wine Merchants.

ANNUAL ADDRESS  
TO UNION WORKERSREAD BEFORE TRADES  
AND LABOR COUNCILBusiness Brought Up at the First Meet-  
ing of the Year Held Last  
Evening.

The Victoria Trades and Labor Coun-  
cil met last evening, with the president,  
Geo. Caldwell, in the chair. Nelson G.  
Brown, of the Leather Workers, J. E. B.  
Tyson, from the machinists, and E.  
Keown and M. Meiss, of the cigarmak-  
ers, presented their credentials.

On behalf of the executive and organ-  
ization committees the president reported  
that a fair wage basis had been entered  
into with Turner, Beeton & Co., and also  
with Lenz & Leiser.

The financial statement of the  
treasurer, A. Johnson, was presented.  
The finances showed a highly satisfac-  
tory condition.

The report of the financial secretary,  
G. Sivertz, was presented and referred  
to the auditing committee to be printed  
and distributed.

The annual address of the president  
was then read as follows:  
To the Officers and Members of Victoria  
Trades and Labor Council:

Brothers:—I take this opportunity of con-  
gratulating the council upon the friendly  
relations which have been maintained and  
strengthened between them and the various  
public bodies and business men of the city  
during the year just closed, and which is  
due no doubt to the feeling of harmony  
which has prevailed throughout the entire  
council, and I sincerely trust that the in-  
coming officers and members will use every  
endeavor to foster and perpetuate this feel-  
ing, with the natural sequence that in the  
future years of the council will be such as  
will be such as to enable them to success-  
fully settle any differences which might  
arise between the organized workers of our  
city and their employers.

From the reports of the secretary and  
treasurer you will see that the council is  
in a highly satisfactory condition financially.  
This is especially gratifying in view of the  
fact that the council has contributed in a  
very liberal manner to some of the char-  
itable institutions of our city, and are ever  
willing to assist in a substantial way any-  
thing which they believe will result in the  
benefit of the poor and needy and the help-  
less ones of our city.

I trust you will pardon me if I refer once  
again with pride to the celebration of  
Labor Day in this city last year. The al-  
most practically unanimous co-operation of  
the different labor unions and their mem-  
bers resulting in the celebration being re-  
ferred to as the banner celebration of its  
kind, not only in this city, but, I believe,  
throughout the province, and in view of the  
fact that very few outside members were  
present, it proves conclusively the strength  
and influence of organized labor in our  
midst. In connection with this I might  
suggest to the incoming executive that Na-  
tional and Lady Smith, having reorganized,  
the question of future Labor Day celebra-  
tions might be taken up by correspondence,  
this course having been agreed upon during  
the last celebration here owing to being  
unable to secure a fully representative  
meeting. Later on a meeting of delegates  
could be arranged, if necessary, to finally  
settle the matter.

Another matter of vital importance to  
the organized workers throughout this pro-  
vince, and, indeed, of the whole Dominion,  
is the securing of the annual convention of  
the Dominion Trades Congress of Canada  
in this city for the year 1906, and there is  
no doubt, if proper representations are  
made, that the matter of having the con-  
gress meet in this city in 1906 would be  
successful, and would result in a more  
organized labor such a stimulus in the West  
as it is hardly possible to estimate.

I would also like to impress upon the  
council the advisability of having written  
reports presented at least once a month  
from the officers and standing and special  
committees, which, I believe, will result in  
increased interest being taken in the meet-  
ings.

I would draw your attention to the  
very urgent need at the present time of an  
official representative of the American  
Federation of Labor being appointed—one  
who has the requisite firmness of character  
to deal with all matters of moment to or-  
ganized labor—a requisite altogether lack-  
ing in the present incumbent of that office.

In conclusion, I desire to thank each and  
all the officers and members of the council  
for the uniform courtesy and assistance ex-  
tended to me during my term of office, and I  
earnestly bespeak the same for my suc-  
cessor.

G. A. COLDWELL.

The committee having in hand the  
drafting of questions to be submitted to  
the candidates for municipal honors sub-  
mitted the following:

1. Are you favorable to the eight-hour  
day being enforced on all municipal works  
and plants?  
2. Are you in favor of having all civic  
work done by day labor?  
3. Are you in favor of excluding all alien  
labor from all civic work?  
4. Are you in favor of inserting a fair  
wage clause in every agreement or contract  
entered into with any company, person or  
corporation receiving aid in any shape or  
form from the corporation of Victoria city?

The election of officers was postponed  
until the next meeting of the council in  
order to allow of the local unions first  
electing their delegates.  
The meeting then adjourned.

## NO DECISION REACHED.

Committee Still at Work on Question of  
Jewish Settlement in British  
East Africa.

(Associated Press.)

Vienna, Jan. 5.—The conference of the  
Zionist committee on the proposed Jew-  
ish settlement in British East Africa is  
proceeding here. No decision has yet  
been arrived at. It is probable that the  
international Zionist congress to be held later  
in the year will decide the settlement.



question after the committee of investi-  
gation, now in Uganda, reports on the  
subject.

## VISIT TO FRANCE.

The Duke and Duchess of Connaught  
and Two Daughters Arrive  
at Brest.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Jan. 5.—A Paris dispatch  
to the Herald says: "The Duke and  
Duchess of Connaught with Princesses  
Marguerite and Victoria, arrived to-day  
(Wednesday) at Brest on board the Brit-  
ish cruiser Essex. The French armored  
battleship Massena hoisted the flag of  
Vice-Admiral Caillaud, and the cruiser  
Guichen saluted the Duke with salvos  
of artillery."

"Admiral Caillaud presented to the  
Duke his respects as the representative  
of President Loubet. The Duke of Con-  
naught paid visits to Admiral Caillaud  
and the other French authorities."

**A WONDERFUL DISCOVERY.**  
This is the age of research and experiment, when  
all nature is to be harnessed by the scientific  
method for the comfort and happiness of man. Science has  
indeed made giant strides during the past century,  
and among the by no means least important  
discoveries in medicine comes that of  
**THERAPION.**

This preparation is unquestionably one of the most  
genuine and reliable Patent Medicines ever intro-  
duced, and it is, we understand, been used in the  
Continental Hospitals by Kieckhefer, Kosen, Jobert,  
Velpau, Mouscoune, the well-known Chassa-  
gnac, and indeed by all who are regarded as au-  
thorities in such matters, including the celebrated  
Lallemand and Roux, by whom it was some time  
since uniformly adopted, and that it is now the  
attention of those who require such a remedy we  
think there is no doubt. From the time of Aristotle  
downwards, a potent agent in the removal of  
these diseases has like the famed philosopher's  
stone been the object of search of some hopeful,  
generous mind; and far beyond the mere power—  
if such could ever have been discovered—of trans-  
muting the baser metals into gold is surely the dis-  
covery of a remedy so potent as to organize the fail-  
ing energies of the confirmed aged in the one case,  
and in the other so effectually, speedily and safely  
to expel from the system without the aid or even  
the knowledge, of a second party, the poisons of  
acquired chronic disease, that it is a veritable  
form as to leave no doubt or trace behind. Such is  
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vents, of many of the diseases of our day, about  
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For Alderman  
To the Electors of North  
Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I am a  
candidate for the forthcoming municipal elec-  
tion, and respectfully solicit your votes and in-  
fluence.  
**W. F. FULLERTON.**

## To the Electors of North Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I beg to  
announce myself as a candidate for Alder-  
man at the forthcoming municipal elec-  
tion, and respectfully solicit your vote and in-  
fluence.  
**JOHN KINSMAN.**

## Electors of North Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I have  
consented to become an aldermanic candi-  
date for your district, principally on ac-  
count of the Indian reserve and waterworks  
questions.  
Respectfully yours,  
**W. J. HANNA.**

## To the Electors of North Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I am a  
candidate for a number of the electors,  
I have decided my name to go be-  
fore you as a candidate for Alderman in  
the above Ward, and would respectfully  
solicit your vote and influence.  
Yours respectfully,  
**LEWIS HALL.**

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no lot will be sold before January 10th, at 10 o'clock in the fore-  
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## For Alderman

To the Electors of Central Ward

Ladies and Gentlemen—I would respect-  
fully solicit your vote and influence at the  
forthcoming municipal election.

**H. E. LEVY.**

## For Alderman

To the Electors of Central Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I beg  
most respectfully to solicit your vote and  
influence at the forthcoming municipal  
election.

**E. H. ANDERSON.**

To the Electors of Central Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I beg to  
announce that I am a candidate for Alder-  
man for above Ward, and respectfully  
solicit your votes and influence.

**J. P. ELFORD.**

To the Electors of Central Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I beg to  
announce that I will be a candidate for  
Alderman for above Ward, and respectfully  
solicit your vote and influence.

**A. STEWART.**

To the Electors of Central Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I would  
respectfully solicit your vote and influence  
at the forthcoming municipal election.

**LAWRENCE GOODACRE.**

## For Alderman

To the Electors of South Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—Your vote  
and influence are kindly solicited on my be-  
half at the forthcoming municipal election.

**JAMES A. DOUGLAS.**

To the Electors of South Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I beg to  
announce myself as a candidate for Alder-  
man at the forthcoming election. I hope  
to be favored with a continuance of your  
confidence.

**B. S. ODDY.**

To the Electors of South Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I beg to  
announce that I will be a candidate for  
Alderman for above Ward, and respectfully  
solicit your vote and influence.

**F. W. VINCENT.**

January 4th, 1905.

To the Electors of South Ward

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I beg to  
place my name before you as a candidate  
for above Ward at the ensuing municipal  
election, and respectfully ask a contin-  
uance of your support and influence.  
Yours, etc.,

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## MUNICIPAL MYSTERIES.

But one week remains for the discussion of municipal questions. The elections will take place on Thursday next. It is understood, although there has been no explicit statement to that effect, that one matter of momentous importance to the citizens of Victoria will receive the careful attention of the council we shall select on the 12th. We do know that Water Commissioner Raymur has issued an estimate of the cost of making the present water works system equal to the requirements of a city of such dimensions as Victoria will assume in the immediate future. It is common talk that there is an alternative scheme "in the air" one that will be more likely to meet with the approbation of the people than the Commissioner's conception of an amended and improved Elk Lake system. But we are not to be vouchsafed any information upon that head lest peradventure something should be disclosed that would interfere with the plans of the reformers. The natural consequence is that gossip is busy and that in her business things are being said far from complimentary to the reputation for disinterestedness and public-spiritedness of some of the members of the retiring council. We tell them frankly that the effect will not be strengthening to some of them on polling day.

It is well understood that the assumedly secret proposition is the acquisition of the business, plant and rights to Goldstream water power of the Esquimalt Water Works Company. It is whispered in the secret places that there is a tentative understanding with the British Columbia Electric Railway Company in regard to the lighting of the city in the event of the success of the negotiations and the tramway company agreeing to the purchase of the power that shall pass from the water works company to the municipal corporation.

In its way and of its kind there is no doubt that the British Columbia Electric Railway Company is a model institution. It treats its employees handsomely, and, considering the powers that have been conferred upon it by a munificent and prodigal legislature, its treatment of the city of Victoria leaves little room for criticism. Nevertheless we believe there will be found a good deal of opposition to any proposal to place the citizens in the hands of what may be reasonably termed a benevolent monopoly. Victorians will protest most strenuously, and we believe most effectually, to the tramway company being given a contract for the lighting of the city's streets. The British Columbia Electric Railway Company has acquired the Vancouver gas works. It is said to be contemplating the purchase of its only lighting competitor in this city also. There may be no truth in the rumor; but gossip is busy. If the ratepayers are asked to sanction the expenditure of a sum approximately estimated at a million dollars for the acquisition and perfection of a system of water works that will carry a water power of almost unlimited capacity, they will be sure to insist upon the enterprise being exploited exclusively for their own benefit and not for the creation of dividends for a private corporation. It is even possible that the time may come when the people of Victoria will consider the expediency, possibly the necessity, of lighting their houses as well as their streets. Public ownership of public utilities is not "in the air"; at least the proposition is not as high "in the air" as some of the schemes of the present council are said to be. There is a point beyond which monopoly cannot go without engendering a disposition to take it by the throat. That is a lesson some "mergers" in other parts of this continent have learned. Already there is a rod in pickle for others. If we are ever carried to the point at which competition shall cease, we shall be on the verge of socialism.

We allude to these matters for the purpose of enlightening the old municipal council and the new one we shall shortly select upon certain matters that are being discussed in the streets. We can hardly hope that the retiring Aldermen or His Worship the Mayor will turn on the light at this late date. But we do say that the attitude of the council is not fair to the people. It is not at all unlikely that just at the time when our citizens are confronted with a shortage of water and the danger that would be involved in such an outbreak of fire as that which swept the city from its centre to its circumference last summer, a proposition will be put before them and that they will be told to reject it at their peril.

Why are the retiring representatives of the city averse to the public discussion of matters of such moment? There is no reason to ask why the people are

darkly hinting at the evil effects of corporate influence.

## A GREAT INVENTOR.

The Times is reminded by the contents of a couple of newspapers received from the ancient and renowned Duchy of Cornwall that Trevithick was not the only distinguished personage produced by that celebrated kingdom of wrestlers, warriors, poets and statesmen, Cornwall was also the home of one of the most ingenious inventors of the age. Let those who have ascribed to the virile north the honor of being the birthplace of the man who invented and operated the first locomotive read reports of an anniversary that has just been celebrated at Camborne, and they will transfer their reverence from George Stephenson to the real chief benefactor of his own and succeeding generations. One of the local newspapers points out that it is just a hundred years ago that Richard Trevithick introduced his locomotive to the world, his first steam carriage making its trial trip on an old iron tramway nine miles long in the Taff Valley. It was, however, on Christmas eve of 1801 that his road locomotive carried passengers—the first load of passengers ever conveyed by the power of steam. His ideas rapidly developed, and in the following year he, together with Andrew Vivian, applied for a patent for engines to work carriages. He realized that the power of his engine was more than sufficient to propel its own load of passengers. It was in London that his experiments were made, and it is needless to add, proved equally successful. In 1803 his engine conveyed passengers from Leather Lane to Paddington by way of Oxford street, while the return journey was made via a northern route through Islington. Expense, however, limited operations, and the distinguished Cornishman next turned his attention to tramway locomotion. It was in connection with this latter that the present year makes the centenary, the Taff Valley already alluded to being the scene of operations. In 1808 he again returned to London and organized a railway near St. Pancras, the modest speed of a dozen or fifteen miles per hour being the rate achieved. The revolutions standing to the credit of Stephenson were subsequent to Trevithick's achievements. With regard to mine pumping machinery, and the construction of steam agricultural implements, the name of Trevithick will be ever remembered, while as the first to recognize the value of iron in shipbuilding his fame spread to even wider and more important circles.

With regard to this most distinguished native of the Delectable Duchy, a correspondent ventures to point out that Richard Trevithick is almost a forgotten word. "If I am not mistaken there is no monument to his memory either in the country on which he confers such a distinction, or in the country which has reaped innumerable blessings from his labors. Penzance is dignified by a statue to Sir Humphry Davy, Truro by a like monument to Richard Lander, and other places by some lasting memorial to distinguished townsmen; yet Camborne, Richard Trevithick's birthplace, is lacking in any commemorative emblem of her greatest genius. Now 1904 marks the centenary of the locomotive. Its creation was the work of Richard Trevithick, who first demonstrated the possibility of using high-pressure steam in an engine which needed no condenser. It was this epoch-making invention which made steam locomotion possible; out of it has risen the great development of locomotive engineering and the enormous expansion of railway enterprise, and, as we all know, the railway has been a great factor in the world's progress. Such a time as this is, I think, what the novelist calls the psychological moment in which some effort might be made to erect some lasting monuments to Trevithick. Camborne is not only Trevithick's birthplace, but is the centre of the mining industry of Cornwall, an industry which owes so much to the use and development of the steam engine. There ought to be no difficulty to raise the necessary funds if a few influential Cornishmen would enthusiastically set about the task. If the county does not possess such a patriotic and wealthy son as Carnegie, there are yet many who might wish to honor their native county by some recognition of one of the greatest engineers and inventors the world has yet seen."

There are numerous descendants of Trevithick settled in British Columbia.

The Czar has been blessed with an heir to the throne of his fathers, and yet he is probably one of the most unhappy of men. Prayers ascend in greater volume from the temples of Russia than from the altars reared in any other country in the world. Still there is no prospect of success to the arms of the holy ones camped in Manchuria nor any probability of an amelioration of conditions at home. And yet the people cannot be trusted. Autocratic rule is the one hope of the autocrats who oppress and despoil Holy Russia!

It now begins to appear that the rulers of Russia are afraid to suggest that the war with Japan should be brought to an end. The country is in such a condition of unrest and dissatisfaction, if it is not actually ripe for a revolution, that the conflict must be prosecuted in order to impress the seething elements with a fitting idea of the power of the state to suppress insurrection. What chance is there of ultimate success under such conditions? One of these days the world will be startled and horrified by another tale of assassination.



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## Xmas Cakes, Pork Pies, &amp;c., &amp;c.

The Canadian Magazine starts the new year with one of the finest numbers yet produced. It contains matter for all classes of readers, from descriptions of ocean liners and turbine engines for sea-going and scientific men to tales of imagination and humor for those who favor lighter reading. Among the contributors whose games are familiar to Victorians we might mention the names of the Duke of Argyll and N. de Bertrand Lugrin. The illustrations include a picture of a curling scene on the ice at Montreal. The players are all ladies, who appear to have permanently taken to the roarin' game as played in the East. There does not appear to be a great deal of enthusiasm in the crowd, however.

## RELIC OF CHALLAM.

An interesting relic, the ensign of the ill-fated Challam, has been added to the collection in the possession of Steamboat Inspectors Edwards and Fuller, states a report from Portland. The flag, the original colors of which are almost gone, was picked up on Dungeness sand spit by J. C. LaBryne, the assistant light-house-keeper at Dungeness. It was found soon after the disaster, and as the light-house man was transferred to Alaska, he took it with him there, but believing the inspectors' office a better place for it, he forwarded it to Captain Edwards.

The Challam foundered in the great storm of a year ago while crossing the Straits from Port Townsend to Victoria, many lives being lost.

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One man says that there is only one thing worse than being married, and that is not being married.

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Being the first Friday of 1905 and the first Friday of our January Sale it will mark a new era in our Friday values.

### Costume Day To-Morrow

Fifty Suits to be offered in this January Sale.  
 Plain Venetian Cloths in brown, blue and black.  
 Coating Serges in blue and black.  
 Mixed Tweeds in brown, gray and blue.  
 List as follows:  
 13 Suits—Prices \$20.00 and \$22.50, for \$10.00.  
 15 Suits—Prices \$25.00 and \$30.00, for \$12.50.  
 10 Suits—Prices \$35.00, for \$17.50.  
 6 Suits—Prices \$40.00, for \$20.00.  
 1 Suit—Price \$45.00, for \$22.00.  
 2 Suits—Price \$55.00, for \$27.50.  
 2 Suits—Price \$65.00, for \$32.50.  
 1 Suit—Price \$75.00, for \$37.50.

### January Bargains in the Cloak Department

### Women's Loose-Fitting Jackets

To-morrow as follows:  
 \$12.50 ones for \$6.50.  
 \$14.50 ones for \$7.50.  
 \$15.00 ones for \$8.00.  
 \$22.50 ones for \$12.50.  
 \$27.50 ones for \$15.50.  
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### Women's Tight-Fitting Jackets

\$10.00 ones for \$3.75.  
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### Our Surplus Stock of White Bed Spreads Go on Sale To-Morrow

Some a little soiled, others odd makes from different factories, which we have decided to clear out.  
 Two Hundred odd Quilts in Mar-seilles and Honeycomb.  
 Mar-seilles Quilts. Prices 70c. to \$5.00 each.  
 Extra large Honeycomb Quilts with fringe, at \$2.50 to \$4.00 each.  
 SEE WINDOWS.

### Thirty-Eight Dress Patterns

Prices \$15.00 to \$25.00 each. Go on sale to-morrow at \$1.00 per yard. Length in each piece is from 6 to 8 yards. As follows: Fancy Broken Plaid, Voile Dresses, Scotch Mixtures, Exclusive Panama Weaves, Black and Navy Panama Grounds, with neat woven spots; French Fancy Mixtures.

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The Best 5c. Cake in Victoria.  
 3,000 Cakes go on Sale to-morrow at 3c. Cake.

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Sizes 18 to 24. Silk Embroidered Girdles, assorted colors in embroidery; eighty pairs. Friday 75c. pair.

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Any \$10.00 Suit, during January, \$5.00

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For \$4.00 and \$4.50 Suits.

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\$1.50

For Tweed Suits; regular value

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\$2.50

For Tweed Suits; value to \$4.00.

\$3.50

For Tweed Suits; value to \$5.00.



### ON IMPORTANT MISSION.

Representative of N. Y. K. Company Will Confer With President Hill of Great Northern.

K. Nagai, manager of the N. Y. K. Company at Yokohama, who arrived here today on the steamer Kanagawa Maru, is at the Deford today. He is going through to St. Paul and New York and will confer with President James

Hill, of the Great Northern Railway Company, and other transportation magnates of the United States, relative to the trans-Pacific business. The operation of the Great Northern line, Minnesota and Dakota will be one of the matters discussed at this interview, and it is hinted that an endeavor will be made to enter into some kind of compact whereby the two companies will be able to join interests.

A notable fact in connection with the sailing of the Kanagawa Maru on her

last outward voyage is that she carried some very valuable war equipment in the shape of a number of submarine boats and railroad material, the latter being principally for Manchuria. This was all landed at Utsun, or Kuma, on the inland sea, between Kobe and Nogi. It is the base of the Japanese transport service. The vessel had a very rough trip across the ocean, and it is stated that the officers were somewhat anxious about their safety. The steamer shipped heavy seas and two fires were put out.





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NO. 2 VIEW STREET.

—The annual meeting of the Laborers' Union will be held to-morrow evening at Labor hall, and every member is expected to be present as the election of officers for the ensuing year will take place.

—A week of junior prayer meetings is in progress at the Metropolitan Methodist church. This evening the chair will be occupied by Rev. H. Carson, of the Congregational church, and an address on "Work Among the Young" will be delivered by Rev. J. H. Vichert. A large attendance is requested.

—The Victoria Golf Club ladies' monthly medal competition will be held to-morrow, and the men's medal on Saturday afternoon. Competitors for the boys' competition during the present month will be entitled to play on their medal handicap allowance, but not to exceed one stroke a hole, the strokes to be taken according to the new table of strokes posted in the club house.

—Wm. Porter Worthington and Miss Annie Black, two well-known Victorians, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony by Rev. Leslie Clay at the manse, Bidecade Walk. Only a few relatives and intimate friends witnessed the ceremony. The bride was attended by Miss Maude Worthington, while Mr. J. A. Worthington acted as groomsmen. The popularity of the newly married couple was testified by the large array of handsome presents of which they were the recipients. After a honeymoon tour of the mainland, Mr. and Mrs. Worthington will take up their residence in Victoria.

—The Wm. H. West Minstrel, who will appear here next Monday, are said to be even larger and stronger this season than ever before. The color arrangement in the costumes and scenic first-part setting is described as being particularly beautiful and striking. The scenery represents the interior of a bandstand in one of the palaces of the old world, and is gorgeously embellished. The West Minstrel this season include a remarkable number of great singers; in fact, they actually have sixteen vocalists. One of the many strong features secured this season by Manager Rickey is Frederick V. Bowers, the famous singer and composer of "Because" and "Always." The principal comedians are Tom Mack, Geo. Wade, McDermitt and Kelly and a lot more. Other strong features are the Great Kartell, the Lavalette Bros. and many other costly European acts.

—At the regular meeting of Court Victoria, A. O. F., held in Sir William Wallace hall last night officers were installed as follows: P. C. S. J. Tagg; C. S. G. E. Wilkerson; S. C. R. A. Manson; secretary, W. Noble; treasurer, W. C. Kerr; S. W. T. Baker; J. W. H. Farrell; S. B. T. W. Carter; J. B. A. S. Robertson; court surgeon, Bro. R. H. Carter, M. D. (by acclamation). These were installed by W. McKay, D. D. O. R., the following assisting as installation officers: Bro. W. Wriglesworth, J. W. R. Carter, S. C. R. W. F. Fullerton, secretary; A. P. Mansel, treasurer; P. J. Davis, S. W. C. Thomas, J. W. J. H. Mansel, S. B. G. R. Clement, J. B. Four proposals for membership were received by the court, and an invitation to visit Court Northern Light on Wednesday, the 11th inst., was accepted. It was also decided to hold the usual monthly dance on Wednesday, the 18th. As an excellent musical programme is being arranged a pleasant evening is assured all who attend. There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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### SENSATIONAL ARREST IN A LOCAL HOTEL

Bank Officials Charged With Defalcation of Over Two Hundred Thousand Dollars in Tolls.

The long stern chase of Lewis P. Oligher and J. R. Zimmerman, president and managing director of the Wooster National bank, of Wooster, Wayne county, Ohio, was dramatically terminated in the Dominion hotel shortly before 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon by the arrest of the fugitives by Chief Langley, of the local police force, Capt. John Murphy and Geo. Burns, secret service agents of the United States government. The apprehension of the absconding bank officials was one of the most sensational incidents in Victoria police records, and aroused the deepest interest in Ohio, where the embezzlement and flight of the two men had created much consternation. The prisoners admitted their identity, and made no attempt to fight extradition. So, carefully guarded, they started on their journey on the Princess Beatrice last night, direct for Wooster, where they will "face the music." They stand charged with embezzling the funds of the bank to the tune of two hundred and forty-seven thousand dollars.

Two days before Christmas there arrived on the Princess Victoria from Vancouver two well dressed, quiet mannered men, who registered at the Dominion hotel as R. H. Rowlands and S. R. Case, of New York. They had the appearance of two business men on a holiday, but were very reserved in demeanor. They made little mention of their former movements, but this reticence, being nothing unusual, excited no curiosity. A few days ago they secured lodgings in a private house on Yates street, but invariably called at the Dominion in the afternoons, seeking mail and reading the papers.

On Tuesday evening two gentlemen, equally reticent, arrived in the city on the Princess Victoria, and likewise registered at the Dominion. They were Capt. John Murphy, of St. Louis, and Geo. R. Burns, of Cleveland, Ohio, agents of the United States treasury department secret service. They also had little to say, and what they did was with the utmost unostentation. Yesterday morning they lunched together by appointment taking in the sights of the place, but during the course of the day it was found that there were two sights that engaged their attention—the venerable looking Mr. Rowlands and the less venerable looking, but eminently respectable mannered Mr. Case.

Shortly after 3 o'clock in the afternoon Messrs. Murphy and Burns returned to the Dominion. Their presence at the popular hostelry at that particular time was not a coincidence; it was designed. It was about the time that Messrs. Rowlands and Case were wont to call there on their daily visits. The two secret service agents waited in the reading room, but the men they were expecting did not come, and Capt. Murphy became impatient. So he went to the front entrance, evidently for the purpose of looking for them. Just as he passed out the pseudo Messrs. Rowlands and Case entered. The secret service official glanced keenly at them, and Rowlands caught the glance. He half turned around, and gave Murphy an inquiring look, but the captain's head was turned. Burns was innocently looking inside Rowlands' coat, and Case went to the clerk's desk and chatted with him for a few moments, and then separated, the former proceeding to the lavatory, and Case seating himself at a table and perusing a newspaper. In the meantime Capt. Murphy had communicated with Chief Langley, who was soon on the scene.

Quietly the chief and secret service agent walked about the room, inspecting the pictures on the wall and nearing the unsuspecting Case at every step. Finally they stood directly in front of him, and then Capt. Murphy dropped his hand grenade in the most sensational manner: "Mr. Zimmerman," he said, "allow me to introduce you to Chief Langley of the Victoria police force." The man dropped his paper and stiffened up as if shot. He didn't speak, but wiped the perspiration from his forehead with his handkerchief. "Stand up," the chief ordered peremptorily, and Zimmerman alias Case complied. The chief then quickly placed him under arrest and went through his pockets. Agent Burns mounted guard, and Capt. Murphy and Chief Langley stood waiting the return of Oligher alias Rowlands. Immediately he reappeared through the bar room door. Murphy said: "Good day, Mr. Oligher, let me make you acquainted with Chief of Police Langley of Victoria." Oligher turned ghastly and stood as if transfixed. He, too, was at once placed under arrest and searched. Neither man offered the slightest resistance, and both admitted their identity. They were taken to the office of the chief of police, where they expressed their willingness to return to Wooster without formal extradition proceedings; in fact they signed an assurance to that effect. Several times Oligher seemed desirous of speaking about the charge against them, but Murphy quickly silenced him, telling him that he didn't want to hear anything about the case.

From the chief's office the prisoners were removed to the secret service agents' room at the hotel, and were there confined until 7:30 o'clock when they were conveyed to the steamer Princess Beatrice in the hotel bus. They dined at the usual time, but as unwilling guests of Messrs. Murphy and Burns. In fact they asked to be excused from going into the dining room on the ground that as the news of their arrest had circulated pretty widely among the guests they would be objects of general curiosity and notoriety. But their captors were obdurate. They were hungry, and were not going to allow the prisoners out of their sight for an instant, so the four dined together.

Both Oligher and Zimmerman expressed themselves relieved after their arrest. They were evidently more apprehensive of pursuit and capture than their demeanor since their arrival indicated. It is not unlikely that they were awaiting an opportunity to steal across the Pacific to Australia or the Orient. Oligher, who gave his name as Rowlands, was president of the Wooster National bank, and as already stated Zimmerman was managing director. They left the bank on a Saturday afternoon about the middle of November, and on Monday did not put in an appearance. The directors were called together and an examination showed that the sum of \$247,000 or thereabouts had been embezzled. The court placed the institution in the hands of a receiver, and a month or so later the matter was delegated to the United States secret service department, which assigned Capt. John Murphy, of St. Louis, and Geo. R. Burns, of Cleveland, to the case. They followed the fugitives across the continent, locating them by the employment of the usual secret service methods. Just what route the bank officials took Capt. Murphy was not disposed to say. It is not unlikely that they crossed to Canadian territory as soon as possible, at all events it is known that they came to Vancouver on the C. P. R., crossed to this city on the steamer Princess Victoria. When they were arrested several hundred dollars were found on their person, but as far as Capt. Murphy would disclose that was all. It was reported that both men had intimated that they would not be taken alive, which probably accounted for the promptitude with which they were searched by the chief.

L. P. Oligher is a man sixty-three years of age, tall, slim of build and well dressed. Since leaving Wooster he cultivated a short beard, but as a disguise it was sadly inadequate. He has a wife and a number of grown-up children, one of whom is a clerk in the National bank. He was at one time a member of congress for Wayne county, postmaster and collector of inland revenue. Both he and Zimmerman, the managing director, who is fifty-five years of age, were highly respected at Wooster, and were regarded as men of unimpeachable integrity. They have been heavily interested in oil wells and stocks, and it is surmised that losses in these investments were responsible for their present precarious predicament.

Capt. Murphy, the senior of the two secret service agents, who came after Oligher and Zimmerman, is a detective of great ability and wide reputation. He has been in the service of the United States government under Chief Wilkie of Washington, for fifteen years, and in harness as a detective for thirty-one years. He has visited every part of the continent in the performance of his duty, but this was the first time a commission sent him here. He is chief of the St. Louis branch of the secret service. When asked by a Times representative if he wasn't called in rather late—a month after the two men absconded—he replied: "Oh, they usually let those things run a month or so, before we are called in you know." His assistant, Geo. Burns, is a younger man, and belongs to the Cleveland branch.

Members of the Fernwood basketball team, and particularly the seniors, are urged to turn out to practice to-night and next Monday, to be in readiness for league matches.

As will be noticed in the advertisement column, Mr. Riddell has announced his candidature for school trustee in the approaching elections. Mr. Riddell has always manifested the deepest interest in school affairs and would make a good trustee.

A quiet wedding was celebrated by Rev. W. Leslie Clay at his residence, Bidecade Walk, last evening, the contracting parties being Mr. Duncan M. Shank and Miss Mary J. Bayne. There were a few intimate friends present. The newly married couple will spend their honeymoon in Victoria, returning to their home at Astoria, Ore., in the course of a few weeks.

In the account of the council's proceedings in last evening's Times an error was conveyed by the reported remarks of Ald. Grahame, respecting the increased donation to the Tourist Association, that \$3,000 had previously been granted by the council this year. Ald. Grahame's statement was to the effect that \$2,000 had been granted previously and that the \$1,000 additional brought the year's donation up to \$3,000—a sum similar to that of the year preceding.

Word has been received of the sudden death of Mrs. Frederick Maitland-Douglas, of Dunsmuir, last week, in New York. Mrs. Maitland-Douglas was the fourth wife of the British Columbia branch of the International Order of King's Daughters. The deceased was on her way to her old home in Savannah, Georgia, and was to have been joined in New York by her husband and daughter. Unfortunately her death occurred before their arrival. The interment took place in Florida.

No. 155 Superior street was the scene of a pretty wedding, last evening, when Miss Amy Kneeshaw and Mr. James H. Davis, both of Victoria, were united in the bonds of matrimony. The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. H. Kneeshaw, the father of the bride. Miss Alice Kneeshaw acted as bridesmaid, while Mr. W. B. Christopher supported the groom. The bride and bridegroom are both well known in Victoria. Miss Kneeshaw, it will be remembered, having taken the part of Phyllis in the recent production of "Dorothy." Mr. and Mrs. Davis will reside at 103 Cook street.

The grand lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars have arranged for a course of lectures to be delivered throughout the province. Rev. Jonas Bushell, D. R. W. G. T., of Seattle, has been engaged for the course, and will begin his discourses next Saturday evening, January 7th. Mr. Bushell is well and favorably known as a forceful, humorous and logical speaker, and those of the public who avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing him may rest assured that it will be worth their while. The arrangement of meetings for this city and vicinity is as follows: Temperance hall, Saturday evening; Cedar Hill, Monday evening; Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Esquimalt, Tuesday evening; Temperance hall, Pandora avenue, Wednesday evening; Sample's hall, Victoria West, Thursday evening.

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Cashmere Dresses, lace trimmed; regular \$8.50. FRIDAY \$1.75.

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Ladies' Heavy Elderdown Dressing Gowns, satin trimmed; regular \$6.75. FRIDAY \$4.50.

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Ladies' Turkish Bath Robes, with Hood; regular \$4.50. FRIDAY \$2.50.

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### WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office.  
28th December to 3rd January, 1905.

The weather during this week has been unusually overcast and rainy, and in this vicinity the total amount of bright sunshine was only six hours, and rain to a greater or less extent fell upon every day of the week. Upon Wednesday, 28th, an ocean storm with a centre of 28.80 inches at Port Simpson gradually spread inland across the province, accompanied by stormy heavy rains both on this island and the Lower Mainland, while on the Coast a heavy southerly gale prevailed for some hours. At the mouth of the Columbia river the hourly wind velocity reached a maximum of 68 miles. This disturbance spread over the Territories and Manitoba, where it caused comparatively mild weather.

From this date to the close of the month the barometer remained abnormally low over the continent from the North Pacific Coast to the Great Lakes. Upon Sunday, 1st, a moderate southeast gale with heavy rains set in over the Straits and Sound, while on the Coast a strong southeast gale was reported from Cape Flattery to the mouth of the Columbia river. This disturbance crossed Vancouver Island on the night of the 2nd, it caused a moderately westerly gale on the Straits and some fresh snow on the Sooke hills. The weather has been comparatively mild in the Territories and Manitoba until the morning of the 2nd when zero temperatures became general; and in Manitoba the temperature fell to 26 below zero.

Victoria—Amount of bright sunshine recorded was 6 hours; rain, 1.64 inches; highest temperature, 55.6 on 28th; and lowest, 35.0 on 1st.  
New Westminster—Rain, 4.18 inches; highest temperature, 52 on 28th; lowest, 34 on 1st.  
Kamloops—Rain, .30 inch; highest temperature, 44 on 28th; lowest, 28 on 1st.  
Barkerville—Snow, 9 inches; highest temperature, 36 on 2nd; lowest, 6 on 1st.

—To-morrow evening Victoria Camp, No. 52, Woodmen of the World, will install officers for the new year. A musical programme and refreshments will follow.

—Parents in whose families there is whooping cough are reminded that not only the children who have the disease, but the children who have not must be kept home until a doctor's certificate that there is no danger of spreading the contagion can be obtained.

—The attention of the police court this morning was occupied by the case of Harry Maynard, charged with using insulting language to F. Depe, bartender at the Diard, on Christmas eve. After the evidence for the prosecution had been heard the case was remanded until next Thursday.

—It is said that Trustee Huggett, in response to numerous solicitations, has decided to offer for re-election. Some time ago he expressed his intention to retire from the board in order to give more attention to matters of private interest, but his anxiety to see certain improvements made in the schools has led him to reconsider his decision.

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## AN EXTRAORDINARY REQUEST.

Deputation Asks Dominion Government to Reduce Duties on Woolen Goods.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—A big delegation of importers from London, Toronto, Montreal and Quebec waited on the members of the government to-day and asked that duty on certain woolen goods be reduced from 30 per cent. to 25 per cent. In other words, to restore the old British preference which was cut off a year ago. What they want is to apply this decrease to woolen goods not made in Canada, such as woolen fabrics, lining and mohair.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said the delegation was a unique one, as it was generally increases that were asked for. The government would give the matter full consideration.

## THE HIGH COMMISSION.

Not Likely to Be Any Meeting Until There Are Prospects of Something Being Accomplished.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—The Premier was too busy to be seen this forenoon in regard to the report from Washington that he and Senator Fairbanks were to meet and talk over what could be done in regard to reciprocity.

Sir Wilfrid is opposed to any meeting of a high commission which is not likely to accomplish anything, and if it did there was no likelihood of its passing the Senate.

Assurances on these grounds will have to be obtained before the commission is convened. The opinion here is that very little will come out of it, although a courteous hearing will be given to whatever proposition Mr. Fairbanks puts forward.

## PERSONAL.

Thos. Bulman, of Kamloops; Thos. Cunningham, of Vancouver; and J. C. McCaffie, of Hammond, arrived from the Mainland last evening by the steamer Princess Victoria. They left by the E. & N. train for Duncan this morning to attend the annual meeting of the B. C. Fruit Growers' Association, which will be in progress to-day and to-morrow.

E. J. Mathews, of New York; A. French, J. G. Wood, H. B. McCarty and Carl Beach, of Vancouver; F. V. Moffet, of Enderby; A. B. Lathrop and Geo. E. Waite, of San Francisco; C. O'Keefe and son, of Okanagan; and Mrs. Alex. McDonald, of Vernon, are guests at the Vernon.

Miss Agnes Anderson, Miss Ethel Weismiller, H. Clearline and other Victoria students who are attending the Normal school in Vancouver, left for the Mainland last evening. The school opens on Monday and does not close until mid-November.

Byron N. White, of Spokane, the heaviest shareholder in the Shocan Star mine, is at the Driford. Mr. White is very enthusiastic with respect to the mining industry in this province, and looks forward to an era of decided prosperity from now on.

J. C. Metcalfe, J. M. Bradburn, John Prentice, Baynes Reed, Bishop Perrin, A. Johnson and Rev. C. E. Cooper were among the passengers from Vancouver last evening by the steamer Princess Victoria.

B. A. Pitt, of New York; A. H. Hensworth, of Mount Sicker; S. C. McLaughlin, of Tacoma; and Mrs. Houghton, of Cobble Hill, are in the city. They are registered at the Victoria hotel.

Major W. E. Snyder, of the Northwest Mounted Police, is in the city, a guest at the Balmoral. Major Snyder is stationed at White Horse. He will spend some time in Victoria.

J. R. Norcross, formerly a member of the staff of the Nanaimo Free Press, arrived from Vancouver last evening by the steamer Princess Victoria.

W. J. Brandth, secretary of the Fruit Growers' Association, was a passenger from Vancouver last evening by the steamer Princess Victoria.

A. R. Barron, of San Jose; R. Mallinck, of London, Eng.; and John Prentice, R. L. Phelps and H. G. Frith are guests at the Vernon.

G. H. Harris, of New York, and J. D. Crossley, of Vancouver, are in the city. They are among the guests at the Dominion hotel.

Isidore Bessinger, of San Francisco, the dealer in furs and skins, is in the city on business. He is staying at the Driford.

J. Bunten, general manager of the B. C. Electric Railway Company, was among the arrivals from the Mainland yesterday.

P. Burns, the cattle dealer, of Calgary, is at the Driford.

Mrs. Johnston, of Sonoma, is staying at the Balmoral.

Empress Nicholas arrived at Minsk on Wednesday and reviewed the troops which have been ordered to the Far East.

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## IMPORTANT SUBJECTS DISCUSSED TO-DAY

Council of Board of Trade Disposed of Considerable Business This Morning.

The council of the board of trade met this morning with nearly every member who was in the city in attendance. The meeting began half an hour earlier than usual in order to allow of the disposal of the business which had accumulated.

On the subject of halibut fishing the fisheries committee, through its chairman, Beaumont Boggs, reported as follows:

Gentlemen:—Your fisheries committee beg to report that the evidence of Mr. Batson, a fisherman lately employed by the New England Co., which has been taken at the request of the council, is clearly to the effect that fishing in Hecla Strait and Queen Charlotte Sound is continuing being carried on by American vessels within the three mile limit, also that Canadian harbors are being used in the preparation to fish. The committee recommends that strong representations should be made to the Dominion government to prevent this and to protect Canadian interests which otherwise must be prejudiced by the special privileges granted to an alien company.

It was decided to incorporate this with the resolution proposed to be sent to Ottawa.

A communication was read from Turner, Beeton & Co. as follows:

F. Elworthy, Esq., Secretary Board of Trade, Victoria, B. C.:

Re Taxation Commission.

Dear Sir:—Owing to the heavy taxation on stock, etc., which wholesalers in B. C. are subjected to under the present Assessment Act, we write this to bring before the notice of your board a particular hardship on the wholesale liquor interests. Clause 59 of the Liquor License Act, 1900, sets forth that commercial travellers representing houses and firms who carry on business outside the province of British Columbia shall pay \$200 a year for transacting business within the province, and you will notice, according to the enclosed correspondence with the surveyor of taxes, that not one of these license fees have been collected, which certainly militates against the British Columbia merchant, who has to pay his taxes and compete with firms from outside points who contribute nothing to the government.

Taking a wider view of this matter, your board might see the advisability of representing to the commission in conjunction with Vancouver and other boards the fairness of the government putting a tax on all commercial travellers doing business in the province for houses not carrying stock in British Columbia, and having fixed this tax, taking care it is rightly enforced.

Yours faithfully,  
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The subject will be taken up with the government.

S. J. Pitts, chairman of the committee, reported that the city council had been waited upon, and asked for information respecting terminal railway matters. His Worship the Mayor had stated that a proposal had been received from the Terminal railway people advising that they intend to discontinue their passenger service, but are prepared to con-

tinue the delivery of freight in cars when offering, conditional upon the city giving the necessary franchise and use of the present terminal. In the opinion of His Worship the Mayor and board of aldermen this proposal was not satisfactory, and a contra proposition has been made, particulars of which His Worship was not prepared to make public at this juncture. An acknowledgment has been received from the Great Northern Railway Company, in which it was stated that upon Mr. Hendry's return to the coast he will communicate their views, and they hoped that a mutually satisfactory arrangement would eventually be arrived at.

The following letter was read from the department of marine and fisheries, Ottawa:

Dear Sir:—I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th ultimo, in regard to the board's recommendation for affording greater facilities for the shipment of crews for ocean-going vessels in British Columbia, and in reply I beg to say that this matter engaged the attention of the department during last session, and will be again taken up for consideration during the approaching session of parliament.

I may state, for your information, that any alterations in the present system will require legislative authority.

Yours faithfully,  
F. GOURDEAU.

A letter was read from the Geo. Carter Co., in which attention was called to the fact that "parcel post" from the Orient destined for Victoria was taken on to Vancouver by the Empress liners, and from there sent back to Victoria causing considerable inconvenience. Parcel post for the Orient was also sent to Vancouver making it necessary to mail it here two days before the Empress sailed.

A committee consisting of Geo. Carter, W. H. Bone and J. Forman was appointed to take this matter up.

The president was authorized to appoint a committee to appear before the commission, which is to take up the subject of the Provincial Assessment Act.

It was also decided to wait upon the provincial government with respect to the question of an exhibit from British Columbia at the Portland fair next year. This was done upon the information being received that the Dominion government was not contemplating making an exhibit.

The meeting then adjourned.

RECEIVED BY THE POPE.

Canadian Minister of Finance in Audience With His Holiness at Rome.

(Associated Press.)

Rome, Jan. 5.—The Pope to-day received in private audience in his study Hon. W. S. Fielding, the Canadian minister of finance, and the latter's wife and daughter, Miss Zillah Fielding. They were presented by the Most Rev. Paul Bruchesi, Archbishop of Montreal.

The Pontiff received the visitors in the most cordial manner.

Cornell university reopened Wednesday after a holiday vacation of twelve days. Two hundred and fifty new students from different parts of the country arrived in Ithaca Wednesday to enter the courses in the college of agriculture, which is afforded free by the state from now until March 1st.

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rived on the Kanagawa Maru, spent three and a half years in Japan. He was on a Japanese whaling ship which was wrecked a year ago and is now on a business tour of the United States.

Still other arrivals on the Kanagawa Maru were Mrs. J. Woodberry and her two daughters. Mrs. Woodberry has been engaged in missionary work in Shanghai and Tientsin for the last ten years, and is going to California to place her two daughters in a college there.

## BRIEF LOCALS

—The little steamer Fern has gone north with a party of Victorians.

—Steamer City of Topeka arrived in Esquimaux yesterday to undergo repairs.

—The commission which is to go into the subject of the working of the provincial assessment act will meet on Tuesday for the purpose of organization.

—The steamer Tottenham, which brought sugar to Vancouver and then took coal to San Francisco, is in Esquimaux waiting orders.

—Rev. C. E. Cooper and Baynes Reed have returned to the city from Vancouver. Representing the Anglican mission, they have made arrangements for a service by means of a steamer along the coast of British Columbia. The steamer will visit various logging camps during its tour.

—The pupils of Miss R. Stoddart gave a very enjoyable musicale last evening at the studio. Those who helped to make the evening so pleasant were Mrs. Peden, Freda Watt, Emily Elworthy, Florence Byers, Maud Flett, Blanche Byers, Alice Dodge, Fred Stenler, Daniel Mesher, Geo. Moir, Ernest Sprague, Miss Freeman, Jessie Fullerton, Edith Lawrence, Effie Collister, Florence Finlayson, Daisy Finlayson, May Moir, Elsie Jeeves and Maud Jones.

—Last Tuesday evening Grand Patriarch James Bell, accompanied by grand officers, installed the officers of Vancouver Encampment No. 1, L. O. O. F. for the ensuing term as follows: P. A. Maclean, C. P.; T. W. C. Hawkins, H. P.; H. F. Bishop, S. W.; A. Graham, scribe; A. Sheret, treasurer; P. A. Babbington, J. W.; D. S. Mowat, guide; Donald Grant, first G. T.; J. E. Sabine, second G. T.; W. H. Hingtable, O. S.; A. Henderson, I. S.; J. A. Dresser, first W.; W. Summersville, second W.; R. C. Douglas, third W.; B. Deacon, fourth W. The grand patriarch congratulated the encampment on favorable reports of treasurer and scribe. Although the increase is not large, the prospects are bright for the new officers.

—That the over two thousand patrons who witnessed Manager Jamieson's bill at the four performances at the Grand on New Year's day were thoroughly satisfied with the mammoth programme is proven by the big business which has followed, the houses Tuesday night and last night being almost as large as those of Monday night. The bill is truly a "mammoth" one for a popular priced house, comprising no less than ten plays with an operatic selection, including with "Annie Laurie" Rawlin and "Von" Kaufman, in a comedy sketch entitled "My Country Sweetheart," prove great laugh producers. Rene King in excellent baritone solos, assisted by his dog "Nellie," the cleverest canine ever seen, is one of the features of the show. No child, particularly, should miss the opportunity which will be afforded by the five cent matinees on Saturday to see his clever dog. F. Roberts is singing "For Old Time's Sake."

## THE SCULPTOGRAPH.

The Dominion Art Co., of Montreal, have their representatives in Victoria showing samples of the sculptograph, the latest fad in portrait work. It is embossed on metal. It is the rage in all large cities among the best of society. In order to protect the public against imitations, Mr. Elf, the manager, will provide each representative with a card bearing their own names, countersigned by Mr. T. Elf.

Norval Baptie, the Dakota champion skater, now residing in Winnipeg, has defeated Harley Davidson, of Brantford, in the Manitoba championship race and a side bet of \$100.

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10 Only—Black, Blue and Gray Skirts; regular values \$4.00. Friday, \$1.75.

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